

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's Office Action of February 20, 2009 the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment of the specification and claims, and the following Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

claims 1-17 are cancelled;

claim 18 is amended to omit recitation of the processing rate and to specify that each printhead chip has a plurality of ink ejection nozzle arrangements on a wafer substrate, and the image processing apparatus controls operation of at least 10,000 nozzle arrangements of the printhead chips via the data communication means; and

new claims 19-21 are added dependent from amended claim 18.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendments to not add any new matter to the present application because support can be found at page 12, line 15-page 15, line 1 of the present specification.

Regarding Specification Objections

It is respectfully submitted that the Preliminary Amendment filed March 23, 2006 encloses the correct amendments to update the continuation details.

Regarding Statutory Double Patenting Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the amended independent claim 18, and new claims 19-21, do not claim the same invention as claims 1-18 of US Patent No. 6,652,052.

It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's objections and rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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